RUN FOR CITY COUNCIL



Running for elected office is one of the best ways you can give back to your community. Whether you want to run for City Council or the Mayor position, there are many reasons to give it a try. Elected officials have significant influence over the daily lives of the people they serve. Local government has the ability to raise taxes, put forth new laws and policies, and improve the quality of living within the community.

If this interests you, the time to file for election is now. The first day to file for election was June 1st and the last day to file is on August 30th. You must file within this timeframe to be placed on the ballot for the November election. The Mayor position along with three other City Council positions are up for election. The Mayor position has a two-year term and the City Council positions carry a four-year term. With some investment in time and commitment, serving on the City Council can be very rewarding. Your community needs you so why not give it a shot?

Please contact City Manager, Eric Underwood at CityManager@DonaldOregon.gov for more information or to make an appointment to receive an election packet and to review the steps in the election process.

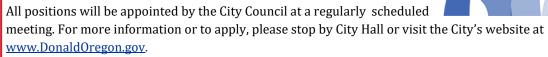
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - Your City Needs You!

The City is actively recruiting for the following volunteer positions:

City Council — 2 vacant seats — Open Until Filled

Planning Commission — 1 vacant seat—Open Until Filled

Budget Committee — 2 vacant seats — Open Until Filled



Moving from Donald? Don't forget to call City Hall to arrange closing your Water & Sewer account.

City Hall.		
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P.O. Box 388		
Donald, OR 97020		
Phone: 503-678-5543		
City's website:		
www.DonaldOregon.gov		
Public Works:		
Director: Alonso Limones		
Phone: 503-678-1411		

Emergency Pager:

503-301-6479

City Hall:

City Council	Planning Commission
Rick Olmsted, Mayor	Cammi Hungate, Chair
Mark Buzzard	Neil Strathdee, Vice Chair
Cindy Johnson	John Crawford
Amy Nicholls	Nathan Earl
Gerry Waller	Lauren Gonzalez-Alfaro
Vacant	Mike Mader
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DONALD MONTHLY RECORD



July 2022

CITY HALL UPDATE

Council President Katie Gonzalez

In June, we said farewell to Council President Katie Gonzalez who resigned from City Council to move with her family to be closer to her extended family in another part of Oregon. Katie gave selflessly to the Donald community by serving as a Budget Committee member, a Planning Commissioner, and a City Councilor for a number of years. She led with passion, dedication, and commitment and her contributions to the City are truly commendable. She will be greatly missed. Thank you, Katie for all you have done for Donald and we wish you the very best as you begin this new chapter.



Councilor Cindy Johnson

The month of June also saw the appointment of new City Councilor, Cindy Johnson and we are very excited to welcome her as a leader in our community. Councilor Johnson was appointed to the City Council by unanimous decision at the June 14th City Council meeting. She has lived in Donald for 16 years and has previously served the community by being involved with the Hazelnut Festival and by being a member of the City's Budget Committee. Welcome Councilor Johnson! We look forward to great things to come.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023 Budget

The City Council held two public hearings in June pertaining to the budget. One was a hearing to receive State shared revenues for FY 2022-23 and the other was for the adoption of the City Budget. Once the public hearings were closed, the Council unanimously adopted Resolutions approving both items. The new budget year begins July 1, 2022 and acts as the City's financial plan through June 30, 2023. Thank you to the Council, the Budget Committee, and the staff for helping to create a balanced budget and a seamless budget process. The adopted budget can be accessed from the City's website at www.DonaldOregon.gov/Budget.

TALL GRASS & WEEDS

The City wants to remind Donald community members that keeping grass and weeds in check on their property or in the right-of-way adjacent to their property keeps the city looking nice and helps to maintain safety. It is also the law. The City of Donald Municipal Code addresses this in Ordinance 91.16 (B): <u>Noxious Vegetation</u>. No person shall allow, cause, permit, or suffer noxious vegetation on property or in the right-of-way of



a street, alley, or sidewalk abutting the property. Noxious vegetation must be cut down or destroyed as often as needed to prevent the creation of a health, fire, or traffic hazard, or in the case of weeds or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed. Noxious vegetation includes: (1) Vegetation that is or is likely to become: (a) A health hazard; (b) A fire hazard; (c) A traffic hazard, because it impairs the view of public right-of-way or otherwise makes the use of the thoroughfare hazardous; or (d) Grass and weeds exceeding 10 inches. (2) Poison oak; (3) Poison ivy; and (4) Blackberry bushes that extend into the public way, a pathway, or cross a property line. Please do your part in helping to keep Donald looking beautiful.

INDEPENDENCE DAY SAFETY TIPS

A few fireworks safety tips to make sure your 4th of July is a blast:

- 1. Keep it legal (only use fireworks allowed in Oregon)
- 2. Never give fireworks to small children and never throw or point a firework toward people, animals, vehicles, structures or flammable materials.
- 3. Keep a supply of water close by as a precaution when lighting fireworks
- 4. Never try to re-light a dud



COMMUNITY EVENTS

North Marion Library

Look for the library's three-day book sale extravaganza during Aurora Colony Days; it starts Friday, August 12 and runs through Sunday, August 14, and each day's sale is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. As in past years, look for the book sale tents on the triangular vacant lot bordered by Hwy. 99E, Main St., and 3rd St. In the meantime, you can borrow books at the library (21553 Liberty St NE, Aurora, Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.), pick up freebies at the little libraries in Aurora (city park as well as the corner of Filbert and Walnut Streets), or for a small donation, get one or more at the White Rabbit Bakery.

NEWS TO KNOW

For the North Marion Community: Important School Year Information

The federal waiver for free student lunches expires at the end of June, affecting school districts nationwide, including North Marion. The expiring waivers mean there are certain changes that will take effect on July 1 and will continue in 2022-2023 school year:

- Parents/guardians will no longer be able to pick up meals on behalf of their children.
- Meals cannot be delivered to homes.
- Students/participants must be present to get a meal, must stay onsite when eating it.
- Food items may not be allowed off site.
- Multiple meals will not be served at one meal service.

In Oregon, summer meals will still be free through SummerFreeOregon.org. Parents can also text Food or Comida to 304-304 for details on sites near where you live.

This fall, families will again need to apply for the free or reduced meal program. A meal price will be established for students who don't qualify for free or reduced-price meals.

Through a federal program, families are eligible for free meals if they meet the specific income guidelines. Eligible families can apply for benefits for the 2022-2023 school year on or after July 1, 2022, when the new application is available. For more info. contact lori.gamboa@nmarion.k12.or.us. Sincerely,

Ginger Redlinger, Superintendent North Marion School District

FAT, OIL & GREASE (F.O.G.)

Keep F.O.G out of sewer pipes: Whether you've poured down the drain or into your garbage disposal, F.O.G. can build up over time by sticking to the sides of sewer pipes and septic tank system. This can cause an expensive sewer backup into your home and/or City's sewer system. By following a few simple steps, you can help prevent sewer backups and protect the environment:

- Pour cooled fats, oil and grease into a covered disposable container.
- Don't dispose of F.O.G. into food waste disposers, sinks, toilet, or floor drains.
- Soak up remaining F.O.G. with paper towels and place in the trash.
- Scrape food scraps into your compost or trash.
- Use sink strainers to catch food waste while washing dishes.

F.O.G. can cause expensive and time-consuming repairs for homeowners and Utilities.



THREE-MONTH CALENDAR

WATER & SEWER DATES

July 2022

July 15th: Water & Sewer Bills Due

July 18th: Red Tags Delivered at 10am

July $20^{\text{th}}\!\!:$ Shut Offs for Delinquent Accts. at 10am

July 21st: Late Fees applied to Delinquent Accts. at 8am

August 2022

August 15th: Water & Sewer Bills Due

August 16^{th} : Red Tags delivered at 10am

August 18^{th} : Shut Offs for Delinquent Accts. at 10am

August 22nd: Late Fees applied to Delinquent Accts. at 8am

September 2022

September 15th: Water & Sewer Bills Due

September 16^{th} : Red Tags delivered at 10am

September 19th: Shut Offs for Delinquent Accts. at 10am

September 21st: Late Fees applied to Delinquent Accts. at 8am

4-July



September 5, 2022

PUBLIC MEETINGS (all City Council & Planning Commission Meetings start at 6:45 p.m.)

July 5th: City Council Work Session (if needed) July 12th: City Council Meeting

August 1st: City Council Work Session (if needed) August 9th: City Council Meeting

September 13th: City Council Meeting

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

July 4th: Independence Day — City Offices Closed

September 5th: Labor Day — City Offices Closed